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March 8, 1897.

Samuel Pitcher, M.D.

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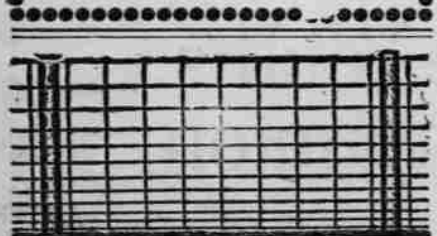
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By "Searcher."

Will Mantz and Will Swartz have
each a claim in the Strip.

Ed. Childs, the merchant, has left
Galatia and started a store in Hois-
ington.

Jim Harper has gone north to
shuck corn. Jim has no comforts in
Barton since his ducky strayed off.

Green Harper, who died some days
ago at the home of his brother, Geo.
of Albion township, it is reported left
a life insurance policy of considerable
amount.

We met our long to be remembered
friend, Tom Connelly, last Friday in
Hoisington. Tom had his mustache
cut off and looked queer, but we knew
him all the same.

Our land-lord is a pusher. Not
being satisfied with an annual income
of ten thousand dollars from his hotel,
he is now engaged in planting ten
thousand acres of wheat so as to have
plenty of bread to feed his multitude
of patrons.

Uncle Mike Quinlan came home
from the Strip last Saturday as jolly
as a school boy. Mike has leased a
section of school land down there and
will start a cow ranch. Uncle
Mike will be known in the future as
"Mike the cow-boy."

Since I last wrote I have been
down into "Egypt" where they used
to raise corn, but I found Joey dead,
and the other fellows too lazy to cul-
tivate their corn. Nevertheless this
year they raised a famous crop, of
sand burrs, mixed with centipedes.
This alludes to the Strip.

Our Jerry made one of his famous
speeches to a good sized audience in
Hoisington last Friday afternoon.
And he left the usual impression on
his hearers—i. e., that our Jerry is
the right man in the right place, and
that he is doing all in his power to
better the condition of mankind.

HOISINGTON.

From the Dispatch.

Fireman J. C. Payne is confined to
his bed with illness.

C. E. Walker has sold his cattle
interests here and will go to Texas.

Geo. McFarland has been having
an addition built to his farm residence.

O. B. Putnam's new barn on his
farm north of town is about com-
pleted.

A daughter was born to John Hoch
and wife Monday. "Eagle Eye" is all
smiles since the event.

Rev. Barr had a nice barn built on
his recently purchased property in the
north part of town.

Hoisington's enterprising business
firms who keep their names before the
public are drawing lots of trade from
a distance.

Mrs. M. L. Bowers is enjoying a
visit with her mother and sister, Mrs.
Bryan, and daughter Stella, of Wash-
ington, Mo.

Miss Emma Wehr, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. R. Wehr, of this city, was
married October 20, to Mr. John
Gailey, at the residence of Elmer
Gailey, in Milwaukee.

The Methodist people have pur-
chased of H. J. Webber the residence
now occupied by J. W. McCauley and
will use the same for a parsonage.

S. J. Gary, Dr. Koch, Jake Deines,
Ralph Bailey, and C. Bradshaw at-
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Schrammer's, northeast of town Tues-
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ELLINWOOD.

From the Advocate.

Mrs. H. Rohling left for Springer,
N. M., last Tuesday evening for a
short visit with her daughter.

C. Van Landegent and family
leave this week for an extended visit
among relatives in Michigan and
Canada.

Mrs. J. W. Smith who has been
visiting relatives here for some time

left for her home in California Tues-
day evening.

On Sunday afternoon, October 24,
Edward Sessler died at Newcastle,
Colorado, of typhoid fever, after a
short illness.

J. N. Robinson returned from
Chicago the latter part of last week
and reports Kansas far ahead of oth-
er states in moisture.

While Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Stroug
were attending church last Sunday
some one entered their house west of
town and helped themselves to some-
thing to eat.

Fred Barr, who accompanied W.
F. Klein to the strip a couple of
months ago, returned last week.
Fred reports that Will is doing a
good business and that he has come
home to stay.

From the Leader.

Jerry Piller is the possessor of a
handsome new carriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hahn are the
proud parents of a big baby girl, born
last night.

A pleasant surprise party was given
Gertie Kelly by a number of her
friends last Tuesday night.

A. A. Ward is now the possessor of
a three years state certificate and he
may well be proud of the honor.

Sunday hunters should be careful
upon whose property they trespass, or
they are liable to get themselves into
trouble.

Aug. Stultz, who had his eye re-
moved at Hutchinson a couple of days
ago is doing nicely now, the wound
from the operation being nearly heal-
ed.

Louis Scheufler had the misfortune
to have a wagon loaded with wheat
pass over his foot Saturday. The in-
jury was not as bad as one would ex-
pect, and Louis is able to be around.

The infant child of John Beusch
died Saturday and was buried Sat-
urday. Though the family are com-
parative strangers here, yet the com-
munity sympathizes with them in their
previous loss.

The corner stone of the new Luther-
an church at Claflin will be laid on
Sunday, November 7, services to be
conducted by the pastor, Rev. L.
Brauer, of this city, who in addition
to his Ellinwood and Rice county
charges, will be the pastor of the new
Claflin church. As many of the con-
gregation as desire, are invited to
witness the laying of the corner stone
of the Claflin church.

Friday three medium aged men
were arrested for peddling jewelry
without a license. Marshall arrested
them after he witnessed them making
a sale, and they gave their names as
Thos. E. King, James Howard and
Jas. McKay. They were immediately
called before Police Judge, each one
pleading not guilty. All three were
found guilty and fined. The total
amount of cash on their person being
about \$10. The balance of their fine
was remitted and a comical march out
of town was conducted, Marshall
Weisenburg acting as commanding
officer.

CLAFLIN.

From the Banner.

The band boys are preparing to
pucker.

A revolver "is a great persuader if
in right hands"—so is a girl.

L. S. Bailey is erecting a large
granery at the rear of his office.

Ed Carson left for Burlingame
Kansas Monday morning. He ex-
pects to work in the mines this winter.

Hurb Smith and Geo. White have
taken a contract to build a stone
house for Mr. Casey near Dubuque.

August Praeger arrived home from
a trip to Illinois, where he went
several weeks ago to attend the fu-
neral of his mother.

The dances promise to be of the
first class order and the boys will spare
no pains to make all strangers enjoy
themselves.

Wheat is in fine condition to go
through the winter and for the first
time in several years will furnish
pasture for cattle and horses.

C. D. Montgomery, who has been
seriously afflicted with rheumatism
for several weeks past left for Hot
Springs Saturday morning.

Just while you think about it send
us a bundle of your laundry work and
be convinced that our work is as good
as the best. Our prices are for shirts
any kind 10c; cuffs per pair 6c; collars
3c; ladies skirt waists 15c or two for
25c. At River Side Steam Laundry.

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BORN—On Monday morning, Nov.
1st, to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Patterson
a son—will be a silver voter if the
question is not settled before his time
to vote. Be it will be.

Do not forget that G. N. & E. R.
Moses handle the famous Hooses dis-
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Also the old reliable lister drill which
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LEGAL NOTICES.

(First Published in the DEMOCRAT, Oct. 14, 1897.)
SHERIFF'S SALE.

State of Kansas, }
Barton County, } ss.

Violetta T. Barhite
vs.
Katie Schmitt, George
Lauder, John Schmitt
and Lizzie Schmitt, his
wife, August Schmitt, Hen-
ry Schmitt, Nicholas Schmitt,
Peter Schmitt, Justus Schmitt,
Minnie Schmitt, Herman
Lehrman and Herman Lehrman,
her husband, Miles Town-
send and Owen Townsend,
as executors of the last will
and testament of Lewis
Townsend, deceased, Wil-
liam A. Guller, Edward P.
Hammacher, Central Bank
of Kansas, Frederick F.
Adams and J. H. Cannon.

By virtue of a special execution to me directed
and delivered, issued out of the 20th District
Court of the State of Kansas, sitting in and for
Barton county, in said State, I will, on Saturday,
November 13th, A. D. 1897, at the hour of 9
o'clock a. m. of said day, at the Court House door
in Great Bend, in the county and State aforesaid,
offer at public sale and sell to the highest bidder,
for cash in hand, the following described real prop-
erty, to-wit:

The north half (1/2) and the south east quarter (1/4)
of Section Twenty (20), Township Sixteen (16),
Range Eleven (11), west of the Sixth P. M. Said
property to be sold as commanded by the said ap-
pocal execution.

L. P. ABER, Sheriff.

Sheriff's office, Oct. 11, 1897.

30-34

First published in the DEMOCRAT Oct. 7, 1897.)
SHERIFF'S SALE.

State of Kansas, }
Barton County, } ss.

The British Land
and Mortgage Com-
pany of America,
Limited Plaintiffs.
vs.
Cyrus L. Townsend,
Eva J. Townsend,
Robert Simpson,
Mrs. Robert Simpson,
whose first name is
unknown, Defendants.

By virtue of a Special Execution to me directed
and delivered, issued out of the 20th District
Court of the State of Kansas, sitting in and for
Barton county, in said State, I will, on Saturday,
November 6th, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day,
at the Court House west door in Great Bend City,
in the county and State aforesaid, offer at public
sale and sell to the highest bidder, for cash in
hand, the following described real property, to-wit:
Lots Three and Four (3 & 4) and the South half of
the North-west Quarter (1/2) of Section No. Four (4)
Township No. Sixteen (16) Range No. Thirteen (13)
West of 6th P. M. Said property to be sold as com-
manded by the said Special Execution.

L. P. ABER, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, October 5, 1897.

29-38

(First published in the Democrat Oct. 7, 1897.)
SHERIFF'S SALE.

State of Kansas, }
Barton County, } ss.

V. S. Benedict, Plaintiff,
vs.
William C. Mantz, Anna
M. Harrington, E. W.
Harrington, Andrew
Mantz, Frank Mantz, Ma-
tilda Mantz, Sophia
Mantz, Theodore Mantz,
George Mantz, Joseph
Mantz, Edward Mantz,
Martin Mantz, Lewis
Mantz, Alois Mantz,
and Rosa Nordman, Defendants.

By virtue of a Special Execution to me directed
and delivered, issued out of the 20th District
Court of the State of Kansas, sitting in and for
Barton county, in said State, I will, on Saturday,
November 6th, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock A. M. of
said day, at the Court House west door in Great
Bend city, in the county and State aforesaid, offer
at public sale and sell to the highest bidder, for
cash in hand, the following real property, to-wit:
The North East Quarter (N. E. 1/4) of Section
Thirty Six, Township No. Seventeen (17) Range
No. Fifteen (15) West of the 6th p. m. in Barton
County, Kansas. Said property to be sold as com-
manded by the said Special Execution.

L. P. ABER, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office October 5, 1897.

29-33

(First publication in the DEMOCRAT Oct. 28, 1897.)
NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO
PURCHASE SCHOOL LAND.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that she
will, on the 23rd day of Nov. 1897, make an applica-
tion to the Probate Court of Barton County, Kan-
sas, to purchase the following-described school land
situated in the organized County of Barton, Kan-
sas, viz: the N. E. quarter, N. W. quarter, S. W.
quarter, and Lot 3 of the S. W. quarter of Section
36, Township 20, Range 15.

She names the following persons to prove her
settlement, continuous residence, and improve-
ments, viz: John W. Smith, residence Pawnee
Rock, Kansas, and W. H. Bowman, residence Paw-
nee Rock, Kansas.
Done at Great Bend, County of Barton, Kansas,
this 23rd day of October, 1897. SARAH E. STEWART,
Petitioner.

32-35

(First publication in the DEMOCRAT Oct. 28, 1897.)
TIMBER CULTURE. FINAL

PROOF—NOTICE FOR
PUBLICATION.

Land Office, Dodge City, Kansas.

Notice is hereby given that George H. Taylor
has filed notice of intention to make final proof be-
fore the Clerk of District Court of Barton County,
Kansas, at his office in Great Bend, Kan., on Sat-
urday the 4th day of December, 1897, on timber
culture application No. 207 (L. S.), for the N. E.
1/4 of section No. 34, in Township No. 20 South
Range No. 14 west.

He names as witnesses:
John A. Hoge, of Great Bend, Kansas.
John W. Coen, of Great Bend, Kansas.
Ellis C. Davis, of Great Bend, Kansas.
Joseph C. Westmore, of Great Bend, Kansas.
JNO. I. LEE,
Register.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:—Be it known that
my petition is on file in the Probate Court, asking
for a permit to sell intoxicating liquors, for medical
and mechanical purposes only, in the town of
Claflin, Barton County, Kansas. Hearing for the
same is set for Saturday, November 20th, 1897, at
10 o'clock a. m.

F. M. CAMPBELL.

31-34

(First Published in the DEMOCRAT Oct. 28, 1897.)
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT—
ADMINISTRATOR.

State of Kansas, Barton County, ss:

In the matter of the estate of W. P. Bidleman,
late of Barton County, Kansas.

Notice of Appointment.

Notice is hereby given, that on the 26th day of
October, A. D. 1897, the undersigned was, by the
Probate Court of Barton county, Kansas, duly ap-
pointed and qualified as Administrator of the estate
of W. P. Bidleman, deceased, late of Barton coun-
ty. All parties interested in said estate will take
notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

A. E. BIDLEMAN, Administrator.

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(First publication in the DEMOCRAT Oct. 28, 1897.)
NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLE-
MENT.

State of Kansas, }
Barton County, } ss.

In the Probate Court in and for said County.

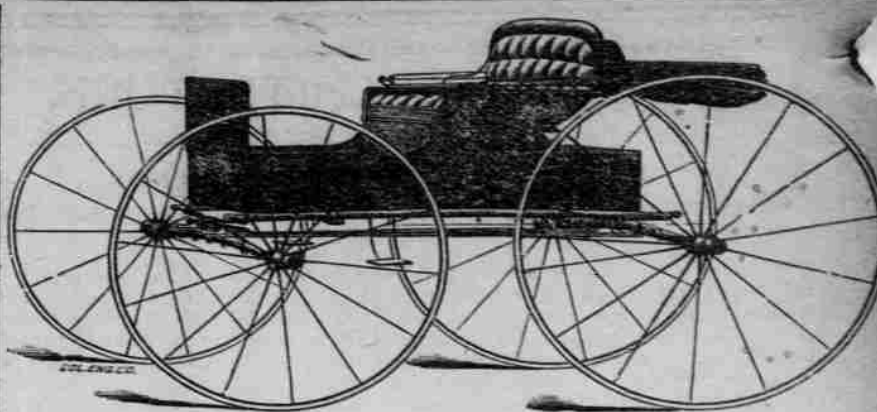
In the Matter of the Estate of Moses M. Ward
Deceased.
Creditors and all other persons interested in the
aforesaid Estate are hereby notified that I shall
apply to the Probate Court, in and for said County
sitting at the Court House, in Great Bend, Kan-
sas, County of Barton State of Kansas, on the 15th day
of Nov. A. D. 1897, for a full and final settlement
of said Estate.

ALVA C. WARD, Administrator

of the Estate of MOSES M. WARD, Deceased
Great Bend Kansas, Oct. 23 A. D. 1897.

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J. G. BRINKMAN, Vice Pres. CHAS. V. BRINKMAN, Asst. Cash.

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I can fit you out. I still have my second
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show goods whether you buy or not.

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mize is at

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Great Bend, Kansas